

## Life Groups Discussion Guide

### "The Prophetic Virtues" 10-26–25

#### Icebreaker

If you could have coffee with one Old Testament prophet, who would it be — and what's the first question you'd ask them?

#### Scripture Reference

Hebrews 11:1-9; 32-38 HCSB

#### Intro

Pastor Matt explained that prophecy is more about "forth-telling" than "foretelling."

What does that mean in your own words? Why do you think that distinction matters for believers today?

#### Virtue: Faith

Pastor Matt said that the first virtue of a prophet is they had/ have faith, according to Hebrews 11. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

How does this definition challenge or reshape your understanding of faith? What does this definition mean to you in your own words?

Pastor Matt said that faith isn't believing without evidence, but trusting God because of the evidence.

What evidence have you personally seen that strengthens your faith in God?

#### Virtue: Compassion

Jeremiah was/is known as the 'weeping prophet.'

What can his example teach us about how to approach people who are far from God or living in sin?

Pastor Matt said:

Sin doesn't make me angry anymore—it makes me sad.

How does this perspective change the way we confront sin or correct others? What's the difference between confronting from a place of anger versus compassion?

#### Virtue: Humility

C.S. Lewis said:

Humility isn't thinking less of yourself; it's thinking of yourself less.

What does that look like in practical, everyday life? Can you share a time when humility changed how you handled a situation?

Mike Tyson once said:

When I think I'm somebody, it bothers me greatly. But when I remember that I'm nobody, it doesn't bother me at all.

How does remembering who we are (and who we're not) help us stay grounded in our faith?

Of the three virtues: faith, compassion, or humility do you think the Holy Spirit is working with you on in your life right now? What does it mean, to you, that we are to like prophetically today—in your family, workplace, or community?

#### CLOSE

Ask for prayer requests and pray!